

TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
June 15, 2009

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President John L. Knochel, Vice President David S. Byers, and Member Thomas P. Murtaugh. Also present were: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Jennifer Weston, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, and Secretary Jennifer Prange.

Commissioner Knochel called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve minutes from the June 1, 2009 Regular Meeting, June 1, 2009 Executive Session, and June 9, 2009 Executive Session, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval of accounts payable vouchers for June 4, 5, 11, 12, and 15, 2009 as presented with no exceptions.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

HIGHWAY – Opal Kuhl

Award of Bid

Director Kuhl recommended awarding the 2009 Bridge Deck Patching Project to Jack Isom Construction.

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept the bid from Jack Isom Construction for the 2009 Bridge Deck Patching Project, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Bid Opening

2009 Gravel Road Base Stabilization Project

Specialties Company, LLC
 \$649,000.00

Milestone
 \$621,667.65

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to take these bids under advisement, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

2009 Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Pioneer Associates, Inc.

\$261,217.75

Jack Isom Construction Co.

\$436,167.00

Wirtz & Yates Construction

\$334,510.70

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to take these bids under advisement for the 2009 Bridge Rehabilitation Project, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Director Kuhl recommended approval of warranty deeds and temporary easement grants for the South River Road Project.

Parcel 49 & 49A – Gregory A. Woods

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the warranty deed and temporary easement grant for parcel 49 & 49A as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Parcel 55 & 55A – Herman C. Buchanan

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the warranty deed and temporary easement grant for parcel 55 & 55A, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Parcel 56 & 56A – Benjamin Paxson

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the warranty deed and temporary easement grant for parcel 56 & 56A, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Director Kuhl recommended approval of a Continuation Certificate from Indiana–American Water Company in the amount of \$5,000 for work in all right-of-way.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Continuation Certificate as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Approval was recommended for a warranty deed on Parcel #5 for James Davis on the Bridge #210 project.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the warranty deed for Parcel #5 as requested, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Approval was recommended for a warranty deed on Parcel #6 for Neil Burge for Bridge #210 project.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the warranty deed for Parcel #6, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

BUILDING COMMISSION – Ken Brown

Robert Wallace Property Update

Deputy Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer Ken Brown confirmed an Engineer's Report from KJG Architecture was submitted to the Building Commission for the Robert Wallace property. After reviewing the report, he agreed the owner and contractor have successfully complied with the recommendations and he suggested the property be removed from the unsafe structure list. KJG Architecture stated in the report they will complete a final inspection on the property.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to find the owner in compliance with the remediation order and no further action will be required on the structure at this time, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

VILLA – DeAnna Sieber

Director DeAnna Sieber recommended approval of a Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) Participation Agreement with Cirrus Select through US Food Service. She reported the agreement states Cirrus Select will be the Villa's primary source for food. The agreement is for one year.

Attorney Luhman added the contract is not exclusive and the Villa has the option of purchasing through other vendors.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the GPO participation agreement, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

GRANTS – Laurie Wilson

Grant Coordinator Laurie Wilson requested permission to apply for an energy grant which is part of the stimulus funds in the amount of \$416,700. A large portion of the funds will be used for energy retro fits for the county building.

- Commissioner Byers moved to grant permission to apply for grant as requested, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-19-CM; MODIFYING THE TIPPECANOE COUNTY CODE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – AMENDING PROJECT 42 JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITY

Attorney Luhman explained the resolution proposes amending Project #42 – Juvenile Justice Facility. The amendment changes the description to include remodeling the existing county jail to create a “bump-out” which provides space for four additional Intake Officers. In the event a juvenile center is built, the additional office space will be used by Communications Officers at the jail. The estimated cost of the project is \$355,000 and Attorney Luhman confirmed funds used for this project will come from the juvenile center project funds and no additional funds will be requested.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Resolution 2009-19-CM, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-20-CM; TRANSFERRING REAL ESTATE TO THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE; 1102 SYCAMORE STREET

Attorney Luhman explained Resolution 2009-20-CM transfers property to the City of Lafayette. The property located in the Shamrock Park District was part of the county's Flood Buy-Out Program. Laurie Wilson added the city contributed to the purchase of the home.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Resolution 2009-20-CM, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-21-CM; TRANSFERRING REAL ESTATE TO THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE; 1024 SYCAMORE STREET

Attorney Luhman stated the circumstances are the same for Resolution 2009-21-CM. This property is also located in the Shamrock Park District and was also a part of the county's Flood Buy-Out program.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Resolution 2009-21-CM, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

2010 SALARY OPTIONS

Auditor Weston discussed options presented to the commissioners at their last meeting regarding salaries for 2010. She confirmed the county is not anticipating extra revenue for raises in 2010. Proposals included a flat \$500, a 1% increase, or a \$500 increase added to the base salary of each chart. Commissioner Byers stated the commissioners understand there may not be room for an increase in 2010.

- Commissioner Byers recommended a \$500 bonus for employees above the market base (or previously frozen), and a \$500 salary increase for employees under the market both to be distributed over 24 paychecks, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioner Byers moved to postpone the July 6, 2009 Commissioner's meeting to July 7, 2009, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Commissioner Knochel reported a resignation letter was received from Patrick Scowden, Executive Director of Tippecanoe County Community Corrections, effective June 16, 2009.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to accept the resignation letter from Patrick Scowden as Executive Director of Community Corrections, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Commissioner Murtaugh thanked Mr. Scowden for his commitment and service to Community Corrections.

Commissioner Knochel explained Dave Heath has been chosen as an Interim Director of Community Corrections. Dave Heath resigned as the Weights and Measures Director/Inspector to assume the role of Interim Director of Community Corrections effective June 16, 2009.

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept Dave Heath's resignation as Director/Inspector of Weights and Measures and appoint him to the Interim Director of Community Corrections, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

The commissioners appointed Pat Scowden as the Director/Inspector of Weights and Measures effective June 16, 2009.

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept Pat Scowden as Director of Weights and Measures, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Attorney Luhman presented a contract for approval with Tecton for construction management of the jail "bump-out" project. He explained the maximum allowed for the base contract is \$30,960 with the allowance of general conditions of \$7,025 for a total maximum of \$37,985. This amount is included in the total amount for the project as described in Resolution 2009-19-CM.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the contract with Tecton for construction management, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Attorney Luhman presented a contract for approval from KJG for the architectural design for the jail "bump-out" project. The contract for \$21,660 includes the services for schematic design, design development and construction documents.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the contract with KJG for architectural design services, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

REPORTS ON FILE

Mail & Duplicating
Crystal Creek Kennels

PUBLIC COMMENT

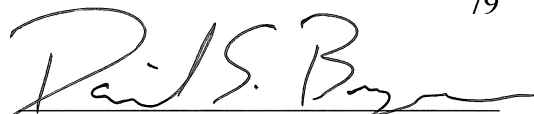
Paul Wright – West Point, said the approach the commissioners are taking with the juvenile center is appreciated by the taxpayers. He said with the economy declining, county employees should not expect a pay increase; he suggested the commissioners have control over raises and taxpayers would appreciate careful consideration by the commissioners in regards to raises.

- Commissioner Byers moved to adjourn.

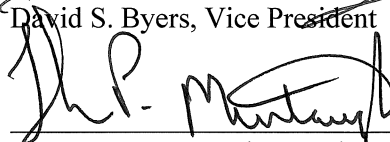
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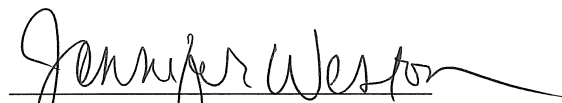
John L. Knochel, President



David S. Byers, Vice President



Thomas P. Murtaugh, Member

ATTEST:
Jennifer Weston, Auditor